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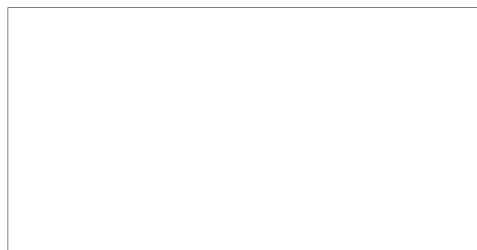
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A certain Dr. Taitazak, who was arrested in 1949-50 as a Cominformist, has recently been released from prison and named chief of the internal medicine department in the Military Hospital in Belgrade. The leader in 1948 of the pro-Cominformist element in the Belgrade Jewish community, Taitazak is now an outspoken advocate of a "return to pure Marxist Communism." He claims that now that the release of the so-called "middle ranks" of the 1948 pro-Cominformists has been accomplished, the Yugoslav leadership is planning a complete reorganization of Yugoslavia's economic and political system to conform more closely with that of Eastern Europe. Key figures among those arrested in 1948 are assuming the principal roles in the new economic program. Taitazak pointed to already increased trade with Eastern Europe, the more rigid enforcement of the teaching of Marxist Communism, and the return of known Cominformists to power as proof of the change now in process. Taitazak remarked that "Tito is now ready to move back toward the East, since the personal grudge he had against specific Soviet leaders is no longer the guiding force in his decisions." 25X1

[REDACTED] Comment: Subject is possibly identical with Dr. David Tajtacak who, prior to August 1950, worked in Zemun, Yugoslavia as a specialist in internal diseases. 25X1



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